

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1106
By Montgomery

A RESOLUTION to commend William Y. Carroll for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, William Y. Carroll is one such estimable person who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, born in Maryville, Tennessee, on September 18, 1939, William Carroll is the son of Robert and Wilma Carroll; he attended Everett High School in Maryville and valiantly served his country as a member of the United States Air Force and as a member of the Air National Guard; and

WHEREAS, throughout an exemplary career in the banking industry, Mr. Carroll has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to this State; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carroll began his career in banking at Hamilton National Bank in 1963; in 1973, he moved to Sevierville to assist in the opening of Citizens National Bank, and he served as the bank's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer until his retirement in 2005; and

WHEREAS, he is currently leading, as its Chairman, the formation of SmartBank, a new Sevier County community bank; and

WHEREAS, William Y. Carroll recognizes the importance of taking an active role in professional and civic organizations, and is a Board Member of the Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati, the Thompson Cancer Survivor Center, and the Foundation for the Sevier County Public Library System; he is also a member of the Sevierville Rotary Club, has served on the Board of Trustees of Walters State Community College Foundation, and was recently appointed by Governor Phil Bredesen to the University of Tennessee's Board of Trustees; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carroll has also served as President of the Tennessee Bankers Association and the Sevierville Lions Club, and he is a former Director of the Sevierville Chamber of Commerce and the Fort Sanders Sevierville Medical Center; and

WHEREAS, Mr. William Y. Carroll's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to his reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and his uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, he is a devout member of the First Baptist Church in Sevierville, which he has served for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, William Carroll is fortunate to share both love and companionship with his wife, Clara Caughron Carroll, and two sons, William Y. Carroll, Jr., and his wife Jill Carroll and Brian L. Carroll and his fiancé, Candra Shular; William and Clara Carroll are also the proud grandparents of three granddaughters, Hailey Alexandra Carroll, Caitlin May Carroll, and Lillian Abigail Carroll; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Carroll is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, William Y. Carroll is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and he should be specially recognized for his exemplary service to his community and to the State of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend William Y. Carroll for his honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee and salute his unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.